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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I use TracFone as an alternative to the higher monthly bills of maintaining a regular cell phone. I travel the open highway daily here in SD and I feel I need the security of being able to get help when needed if stranded. I have been lucky so far but one never knows but always I have the security of knowing help can be reached with my TracFone. If minutes would increase in price I would not be able to afford ever to make a call. Thats the reason I have this in the first place. I don't want monthly cell bills and want only to pay for minutes I use. But it can be priced out of reach for the normal person if everyone is penalized. Services such as this are very much needed. Not everyone wants more monthly payments. Not everyone needs a cell phone for regular use. Please keep the low-volume usage users able to afford this most needed and valuable service.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members